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TO be SOLD by public roup, by JAMES WHYTE, at the Marble Work, Leith, from 30,000 to 40,000 feet of capital MAHOGANY, of all sizes. The day of sale to be afterwards advertised. Apply as above.

Renfrewshire Head Court.

MR SHAW STEWART takes this public opportunity of informing his Friends, that the Michaelmas Head Court of the county of Renfrew will be held on Tuesday the tenth of October next; and he earnestly entreats that such Gentlemen as mean to favour him with their support at the approaching election, will attend at the Head Court.—He has written circular letters to his friends, but thinks it proper to give this notice, in case any of these letters should miscarry.

It is requested that Gentlemen will be at Renfrew early, and at any rate by nine in the morning of the tenth

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,
THE ENDEAVOUR,
ROBERT ROBERTSON Master,

Now taking in goods at Hawley's Wharf, for Leith, Edinburgh, and all places adjacent, and will sail the 7th October.

The ship has good accommodation for passengers.

AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,
THE SMACK
NEWCASTLE,
JAMES TAPP Master,

Taking in goods at Miller's Wharf, opposite Burr Street, for Leith, and all places adjacent, and will sail the 9th October positively, wind and weather serving.

Leith, Sept. 25.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,
THE ELIZA,
JOHN SAMSON Master,

Now lying on the birth in Leith harbour taking in goods, and will sail 7th October 1786.

N. B. The ship has good accommodation for passengers.

The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, or at his house, north end of the bridge, Leith.

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The ELIZABETH,
(A Constant Trader),
COLIN HENDERSON Master,

Now lying on the Birth at the New Quay, taking in goods for Hull, and all places adjacent, and sails the 10th October, or sooner, if freight offers.

For freight or passage, apply to the master, or Mr John Readie merchant, Leith.

FOR GRENADA,
THE NEW SHIP
TIVOLI,
JAMES M'LEISH Master,

Will be ready to receive goods at Greenock, the 1st of next month, and clear to sail by the 1st of November.

She will have the very best accommodation for passengers, who may apply to John Campbell senior, in Glasgow, or the Master at Greenock.

A BLACKSMITH used to Horse-shoeing and other country work, willing to engage for a term of years to go abroad, and who is well recommended, will meet with good encouragement.

GLASGOW, *Sept.* 6. 1786.

TO be SOLD by private bargain, betwixt and the 23d of October 1786; and, if not then disposed of, to be sold that day by public roup, in Gibb's Coffeehouse on the shore of Leith, betwixt the hours of four and six afternoon,

THE SLOOP
SUCCESS OF LEITH,

presently lying in Leith harbour, built at Burntisland two years ago, burden 60 tons and upwards, well found in every particular, shifts light, and calculated for a buss, coaster, the Baltick, or any other trade.

For particulars apply to George Leslie merchant, ... urgh; and likewise to John Harlow and John Allan, shipm. sters in Leith, who will show the vessel and her inventory.

SUN FIRE OFFICE,
ROYAL EXCHANGE.

THE Annual Premiums due upon Insurances in the Sun Fire Office at the present term of MICHAELMAS, *being the 29th September inst. are desired to be paid up immediately; as also, a Duty of One Shilling and Sixpence on every Hundred Pounds insured, laid on by act of Parliament; as by neglecting the payment thereof fifteen days after the term-day, the benefit of the policy expires.*

Persons insured are therefore desired to call at the Sun Fire Office, where receipts are given for the premium and duty on old insurances, and policies issued for new ones.

HOPS, &c.

TO be SOLD, at the warehouse of William Douglas, Quality-street, Leith,

Best Kentish HOPS, in Bags and Pockets.
A few Tons St Petersburg HEMP CODILLA.
ALSO,
A Parcel fine Old Jamaica RUM in Puncheons.

CASKS FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by auction, on Tuesday the 3d October next, at John Thomson junior's Warehouse in Leith, at twelve o'clock noon,

A Parcel of Iron-bound BUTTS, PUNCHEONS, HOGSHEADS, and HALF HOGSHEADS, and a parcel of old IRON HOOPS.

They will be shown by applying at the Warehouse.

PLUMBER BUSINESS.

WILLIAM MIDDLETON begs leave to acquaint Gentlemen and the Public in general, that he hath opened a Shop in Dundee, for carrying on the Plumber Business in all its branches. As he has for a good many years been employed in London, and in several other towns in England, in raising water by lead-pumps, and conveying it from one place to another, by lead-pipes, &c. besides his practice in other branches of the business, he hopes that such as may please to favour him with their employment, will have it done to their satisfaction.

N. B. Orders addressed to him at his shop in the Church-Street, Dundee, will be punctually answered.

☞ Highest price given for old pewter, lead, &c.

TO BE LET,

For nineteen years, and entered to at Martinmas next,

THE Farm of Westmuir, consisting of about 139 acres, all inclosed. The farm lies about one mile south of the South Queensferry.

Proposals may be given in to John Dundas clerk to the signet, or to George Mathie at Dundas Castle, who will show the grounds.

House and Ground at Hope-Park.

TO BE SOLD,

THE HOUSE, Stable, and Coach-house, with two acres of ground at Hope-park, belonging to Mr Riddel.—To be seen any day betwixt twelve and three o'clock.

For particulars, apply to the proprietor, or to Mr Erskine clerk to the signet.

TO BE SOLD,

THE HOUSE presently possessed by Lord Colvile, corner of Nicholson's Street, next the Dispensary.

R. Ross, at Alexander Forbes's, writer, Hanover Street, will inform as to particulars, and conclude a bargain.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

AS the gentlemen in the several counties of Scotland will soon have an opportunity of meeting together, at their respective Michaelmas Head Courts, I presume you cannot present them with any thing more acceptable than the following Bill, the passing of which, last session of Parliament, was opposed by Sir William Cunynghame, upon this ground, that its purport had not been communicated to the Heritors of Scotland, whose interests it so materially affected.

What must render the publication still more necessary is, that I have not heard of any step whatever having been taken, by the Gentlemen who brought in the bill, to obviate the objection made to it by Sir William.

I am, &c. J. G.

A BILL *(with the amendments) for establishing a regular method of assessing the heritors of counties, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, to defray the expence of prosecuting criminals, and of managing the fund thence arising; and regulating the nomination of Sheriffs and Stewarts-depute there.*

N. B. The words printed in Italic were inserted by the Committee; and the words printed at the bottom of the columns were left out by the Committee.

WHEREAS, by an act made in the eleventh year of the reign of his Majesty King George 1. intituled, "An act for more effectual disarming "the Highlands, in that part of Great Britain call-"ed Scotland, and for the better securing the peace "and quiet of that part of the kingdom," it was, among other things, enacted, that, in order to prevent the inconvenience which happened from the want of a sufficient fund for defraying the expences of apprehending criminals in North Britain, and of subsisting them when apprehended, until prosecution, and of carrying on the necessary prosecutions against them, it should and might be lawful to and for the freeholders of every shire, county, or district, in North Britain, to assess the several shires and stewartries where their estates lie, at their meetings at any of the head-courts yearly, in such sums as they should judge reasonable, and sufficient for the purposes aforesaid; and that such monies, so from time to time to be assessed, should be collected, received, and accounted for by such person and persons, and in such manner, as such freeholders should from time to time appoint, and should be applied for defraying the charges of apprehending of criminals, and of subsisting them in prison until prosecution, and of prosecuting such criminals for their several offences by due course of law, and to and for no other use or purpose whatsoever.

And whereas the provisions of the said act have not answered the purposes thereby intended [a]; may it therefore please your Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, That so much of the said act of the eleventh of George the First, as is herein before recited, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Commissioners of Supply in each county [b] and stewartry, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, and they are hereby required [c], upon the day which shall be appointed in each year for [d] *the* first general meeting *of the said Commissioners*, to put in execution the acts for raising and levying his Majesty's supply in that part of the united kingdoms, to meet at the usual hour and place, and to assess the whole Heritors of the said shires or stewartries, respectively, in the sum of *ten pence* Sterling on each *one hundred pounds Scots* of valued rent within the same, to be levied annually from the said heritors, along with the cess or land tax, by the collector thereof, according to the same rules and methods of proceeding which are established by the acts for raising his Majesty's supply, and the like security being given by the said collector, for the due uplifting and faithful application of the said fund.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case of the omission or failure of the Commissioners of Supply of any county or stewartry, to lay on such assessment, at [e] *the time or times aforesaid*, the Collector of the land tax for such county or stewartry shall nevertheless collect and levy the same, and he is hereby authorised and required so to do, under the penalty of double the sum which ought to have been so collected; and which penalty shall be recoverable from him, in an action before the sheriff or stewart court of the said county or stewartry, at the instance of any two heritors of the said county or stewartry, with concurrence of the procurator fiscal of court, or before the Court of Justiciary or Circuit Court, at the instance of his Majesty's Advocate, for the public interest.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the money so collected, or the penalty so recovered, shall be applied for the [f] purpose of defraying the charges of apprehending criminals in the said counties and stewartries where it is collected and levied, and of subsisting the said criminals when apprehended, until prosecution, and of carrying on the necessary prosecutions against them, or defraying the necessary expences of criminal business, in so far as the said charges and expences may not be payable out of other funds provided by law or custom for the purpose; and the said Collector shall answer the drafts made upon him by the sheriff depute or substitute of the county, or stewart depute or substitute of the stewartry, or by any [g] *Justice* of the peace resident therein, for such part or parts of the said fund in his hands as there may be occasion from time to time to apply to any of the uses aforesaid, such uses being always specially mentioned in the drafts so made; and the Collector shall enter in a book, to be kept by him for that purpose, the different payments made by him, specifying upon whose warrant, and for what end, the money was so paid, which book, with the vouchers and warrants thereof, he shall lodge with the clerk to the Commissioners of Supply, one week at least before the said annual general meeting, in order that all persons concerned may have access to the same, and that the account may be examined and audited by the said meeting; no deduction being allowed to the said Collector in name of salary or trouble, but only his necessary expences in executing the said business.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case it shall appear that there has been any wilful misapplication of the same, either by the Collector, or by the Sheriff or Stewart Depute or Substitute, or Justices of Peace, by whom the drafts are made, the person or persons guilty of such wilful misapplication shall be liable to a prosecution, at the instance of his Majesty's Advocate, or of any two heritors of the county or stewartry, with concurrence of his Majesty's Advocate, before the Court of Justiciary at Edinburgh, or the Circuit Court, for payment of double the sum so misapplied, with full costs of suit, and upon conviction shall be sentenced accordingly; which penalty, when recovered, shall be applied in the same manner as before directed.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case it shall appear, at the said first meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of any county or stewartry, in the subsequent year, that the money so levied or recovered, in the course of the preceding year, has not been exhausted by the application of it to the purposes aforesaid, but that a balance remains in the hands of the Collector unapplied, the said balance shall, [h] *at the option of the said Commissioners then assembled, or a majority of them, be ordered by them either to be laid out upon any public uses within the said county or stewartry, or to be placed to the subsequent year's account of proceedings against criminals, in which last case* a less sum in proportion shall be assessed and levied for the said subsequent year.

And be it enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That in case it shall appear that the sum so levied in any county or stewartry to the extent of *ten pence* Sterling upon the *one hundred pounds Scots* of valued rent, *in any year*, is inadequate to the purposes [i] *before* specified, it shall be in the power of the Commissioners of Supply, assembled at their [k] *next annual meeting in the said county or stewartry, and they are hereby required to assess and lay on such further sum for the year then ensuing as may be necessary for making up the deficiency*, not exceeding *ten pence* Sterling more upon the *one hundred pounds Scots* of valuation, to be raised, levied, and applied in the manner, and for the purposes, herein already specified [l].

And be it enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That in all cases where the Sheriff or Stewart [m] *Court has jurisdiction by law to try capital offences, and to inflict the punishment of death, such trial shall only proceed and be taken before the Sheriff or Stewart Depute, and shall not be competent before any Substitute; and in all such cases it shall likewise be competent for the Sheriff or Stewart Depute to inflict the punishment of transportation beyond seas, and to adjudge the services of convicts*, in like manner as it is competent for the Judges of the Court of Justiciary to do: Providing always, as it is hereby provided and declared, That the trial in every such case, as well as in capital cases, be by a Jury; and that in all *Criminal* trials before any Sheriff or Stewart [n] *Courts*, or other inferior Judge or Magistrate in Scotland, the evidence shall be taken down in writing, and entered upon the record.

And be it enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That in time coming, no person shall be appointed to the office of Sheriff or Stewart Depute in Scotland, unless he has, during *Three* years immediately preceding his appointment, attended the Court of Session regularly and *bona fide* as a practitioner, in the time of Session; and if any appointment shall happen to be made contrary to the true intent and meaning hereof, the same shall be null and void.

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a and it too often happens that criminals, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, escape the punishment due to their offences: *b* or *c* upon the day of in and thereafter, *d* their *e* their said meeting in each year, *f* sole *g* two or more Justices *h* go into the subsequent year's account, and

i above

k First meeting annually, in the said county or stewartry, to assess and lay on a further sum for the year then ensuing.

l And whereas it often happens, that a person who has committed a crime in one part of Scotland is apprehended and committed to prison in another part; and sometimes, for the convenience of trial, prisoners for crimes are conveyed from one prison to another: And whereas it is reasonable, that the expence of apprehending and maintaining criminals in prison, and conveying them from place to place, should be defrayed by that county or place within which the crime was committed, If the said expence be not otherwise provided for: Be it enacted, That when any person is apprehended and imprisoned in one county or place in Scotland, as having committed a crime in a different county or place, or when a prisoner is conveyed from one county to another, for the purpose of trial, the county or place where the crime was committed shall, in all such cases, be liable for the expence of apprehending such person, maintaining him in prison, and conveying him from place to place (the said expence being not otherwise provided for); and the county or place where the person so committed shall have been imprisoned, or to which he may have been sent for the purpose of trial, shall in every such case be indemnified and relieved from the said expence, and the same shall be recoverable by a common action at law, at the instance of any Justice of Peace or other Magistrate, or public officer of the last mentioned county or place, against any Magistrate, Collector, or other officer or officers concerned in the levying or managing the funds of the other county or place, against which the claim lies; the rate of maintenance while in prison, either in the one county or the other, being hereby fixed to a sum not under not above per day, unless where a greater allowance shall be certified, by a surgeon or physician, as necessary on account of the prisoner's health.

m Depute or Substitute of any county or stewartry, or any other Judge or Magistrate, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, has power by law to inflict the punishment of death, it shall likewise be competent for him to inflict every lesser punishment, and particularly that of banishment from Scotland, or transportation beyond seas, and to adjudge the services of the said criminal, *n* Depute,

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PHŒNIX ASSURANCE OFFICE,
Lombard-street, London.

PERSONS insured by this company, whose annual premiums will fall due at Michaelmas, are requested to take notice, that printed acquittances (issued from and chequed at this office) are now in the hands of the several agents.—The agents of the Phœnix Company for Scotland are,

John Stenhouse, Esq;	Edinburgh,
Messrs Loudoun, Craigie, and Co.	Glasgow,
Mr Thomas Sandeman,	Perth,
Mr Harry Lumsden,	Aberdeen.

It is acknowledged on every side, that the equitable system upon which insurances against fire are now effected has been secured to the public by the liberal plan of this company; and the office has, in return, been honoured with uncommon marks of public approbation, as the rapid extension of its business fully proves.

§§ The public are requested to observe, that this company is not founded on the principle of the contribution-ship societies, in which persons insured are liable for the losses of others; but that, on the contrary, the policies of this office contain a full engagement to pay the whole amount of any loss sustained; for which purpose, the company holds in readiness an ample fund in Government securities, and at all times discharges the demands of sufferers with as much honour and promptitude as any insurance company of Great Britain, acting with or without a charter.

☞ Printed proposals, containing the rates of insurance and full information of the rules, may be had gratis at the house of every agent.

By Order of the Directors,
H. A. HARDY, Sec. of the Country Department.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE, *Sept.* 26.

Dublin Caſtle, Sept. 18. 1786.

LETTERS patent have been paſſed under the Great Seal of this kingdom, conſtituting and appointing the following Gentlemen to be Reſident Juſtices of the Peace within the diſtrict of the metropolis, viz.

Alderman Henry Hart, for the Barrack diviſion of the ſaid diſtrict;

Alderman Thomas Emerſon, for the Workhouſe diviſion;

Alderman John Exſhaw, for Stephen's Green diviſion; and

Alderman Richard Moncrieffe, for the Rotunda diviſion.

[This Gazette contains four addreſſes.]

LLOYD'S LIST, *Sept.* 26.

THE Brothers, Burr, is loſt five leagues to the weſtward of Ogland; a large part of the cargo ſaved.

The John, Huxley, from Liverpool to Philadelphia, is put into Ramſey Bay.

The Myrtle, Hurſt, from Memel to Dartmouth, put into Bridlington Bay leaky, the 21ſt inſtant.

Captain Gill, of the Vernon, from Jamaica, on the 22d ult lat. 36, long 63. ſpoke the Eſſex and Samuel, Mitchel, from Nantz to Virginia, out ſeven weeks.

FROM THE LONDON PAPERS, *Sept.* 26.

Leghorn, Aug. 25. All the Venetian fleet lie ſtill off the place once called Biſerta, but now a heap of ruins; upwards of 120 ſhells have been thrown into it, which have done incredible damage among the Africans; the commandant of the place, and many perſons of high rank were killed, and the number wounded is ſo numerous, that there were not ſurgeons enough to dreſs the wounds, and ſome have been ſent from hence for that purpoſe. Four pieces of artillery, which burſt in the place, augmented the carnage very much. After a moſt deſtructive bombardment, the Venetians landed to take in water, which they did without any moleſtation.

Zavoll, Sept. 14. Our regency received on Saturday laſt a miſſive or letter from thoſe of Guelderland, requiring a proper ſatisfaction, by the puniſhment of thoſe of our burgeſſes, who being preſent at the violence attempted againſt Hattem, had fired from the battery entruſted to their care, upon the troops ſent againſt that town. We know not as yet what meſſage hath been ſent in anſwer by our Magiſtrate; but ever ſince the requiſition hath been made we are preparing in earneſt to put ourſelves on the defenſive, in caſe it ſhould ſeem *good* to the *wiſe men* of Guelderland to encroach on the frontiers of this province, and ſend their *victorious* army againſt us.

Utrecht, Sept. 13. The Regents of Hattem and Elbourg have ſent proteſts to the States of Gueldres, declaring all the reſolutions they have taken hitherto, or may take hereafter, to be null and void; and, for this reaſon, that the deputies of the States have abſented themſelves from the provincial aſſembly.

It is rumoured, but we cannot yet confirm the truth of it, that a great deſertion ſtill prevails in the ſtipendiary troops of both Gueldres and Utrecht. In the mean time, it is certain, that an opulent individual has not only preſented the city of Utrecht with 6000 florins, for the ſole purpoſe of adding to the means which that city already enjoys of defending itſelf with vigour; but added, when he made the gift, that "if more ſhould be found neceſſary, they knew where to find him."

It is ſaid, that the States of Utrecht have applied to thoſe of Gueldres for a ſupply of ammunition; and to this report it is added, that the aſſembly of the latter is in ſuch confuſion, that the members of it are at perpetual variance.

We hear from Amſterdam, that letters have been received there from Hattem and Elbourg, inviting back all the late fugitives from the ſaid cities, with an aſſurance that they will find their property in the condition in which it was, when they left it; and it is added, that, in conſequence of this notice, many families have already reſolved to return to their reſpective habitations.

As every thing relative to the preſent tranſactions in Holland is of the utmoſt importance, we embrace the opportunity of preſenting our readers with the extracts of Reſolutions of the States of Gueldres, of Thurſday, 31ſt Auguſt, whereby the Stadtholder is authoriſed to commence hoſtilities:

From the Hague Gazette of the 18th inſt.

"Received a letter from the Counſellors of this duchy and county, dated Arnheim, 26th inſtant, ſetting forth that they have announced our publication of the 11th May laſt, &c. upon which having deliberated, and taken into conſideration the unhappy ſituation of the towns of Hattem and Elbourg, and the neceſſity of re-eſtabliſhing their order and repoſe, their Noble Mightineſſes have heard and found good, to charge immediately, his Serene Highneſs, as Captain General, to ſend there a ſufficient number of troops, under the command of an experienced officer, with injunction to ſtay there till further orders; that if, contrary to their will, the inhabitants make reſiſtance, it will be enjoined to the ſaid commanding officer to eſtabliſh a garriſon in both towns, in ſpite of all obſtacles; and to uſe force and violence for the ſupport of the ſovereign authority of their Noble Mightineſſes: to that effect, notice will be given of this reſolution to the Magiſtrates of the ſaid towns, recommending them to provide for the troops every convenience depending upon them, in order to obey ſtrictly the ſerious intention of their Noble Mightineſſes. By order of the States,

(Signed) B. G. PLEGHER."

In conſequence of this reſolution, the States wrote the following letter to the Magiſtrates of Hattem and Elbourg the ſame day:

Noble, Brave, Wiſe, Prudent, Venerable, Lords and Friends.

"By the ſubjoined reſolution you will ſee the reaſons that have engaged us to beg of his Serene Highneſs, as Captain General, to ſend as ſoon as poſſible a ſufficient number of troops in your town, to keep garriſon there till freſh orders.

"We have thought it our duty to inform you of it, recommending to you, not only to procure to theſe troops the means of fulfilling our will, but alſo to exhort the inhabitants of your town to peace, and the moſt docile ſubmiſſion to all that may come from Aſſembly, referring in other reſpects to the reſolutions, &c.

The States of Guelders, and
The County of Zutphen
By order,
(Signed) B. G. PLEGHER."

M. de Gortz, the Pruſſian Ambaſſador is arrived at the Hague; the firſt cauſe of his miſſion is to ſettle the unhappy diſturbances between the States of Gueldre, the Satholder, and the other States. This is no eaſy matter, when we conſider that the Dutch will not eaſily brook any arbitrary attempt to ſubdue them. A ſubſcription is already begun at the Hague, and all the towns and villages in the province of Holland, in favour of the citizens of Hattem and Elbourg, who continue to live in the adjacent towns, and who are reſolved never to go back till they receive ſatisfaction, *une reparation convenable!*

Paris, Sept. 1. There is now at Zurich a man of the name of Lavater, who, when but 36 years old, had already publiſhed 80 volumes. His four volumes folio, on phyſiognomy, are very well known; and the five in quarto, on the life of Pontius Pilate, have gained him univerſal applauſe among the Swiſs Calviniſts. The title is this, *Pontius Pilate*; or, *Man in all his Forms*; or, *The Height and Depth of Mankind*; or, *The Bible in Parvo*, and *Man in Magno*; or, *The Univerſal Ecce Homo*; or, *All in One*. The principal tenet of Lavater is, that every good Chriſtian can work miracles, and that they have never ceaſed from the time of the apoſtles.—The reaſon they are not viſible is plainly this, that the real believers and the favourites of Chriſt modeſtly conceal themſelves. This Lavater is very intimate with Caglioſtro, and both have had the art to impoſe in high and low life. Caglioſtro has learned his ſecret of raiſing from the dead of one Schroepfer of Leipſic, a ſham French Colonel, and his cures by moon-light from the notorious Weiſleder of Berlin, who pretended to heal all wounds by the lunar beams. The number of patients that reſorted to him is incredible. The late King of Pruſſia was obliged to put a ſtop to it. Lavater had Chriſt himſelf for his maſter, and he boaſts of having often repoſed in his arms on a bed of thorns, &c. How lucky it is that the Lavaters, the Meſmers, the Caglioſtros, and many others that ſwarm into France, Germany, and Italy, make little or no impreſſion in Great Britain.

In the convent of St Martin, in Palermo, was diſcovered a few years ago, an Arabian manuſcript, of which M. l'Abbé Villa, Profeſſor of Oriental Languages at that Academy, was requeſted to give a Latin verſion. The Abbe has begun the tranſlation, and it appears, by the preface, to be a deſcription of the political, œconomical, and military government of the Emirs, who were maſters of Sicily during the 9th and 10th centuries. It was the great Emir Abdallah, the ſon of Mahomet, the ſon of Abu Abhaſan, who ordered Muſtapha, great Muphti, and chief Counſellor, to compoſe this work, which will partly fill up the vacancies we meet in the hiſtory of Sicily, interrupted for two centuries, while that kingdom was in the hands of the Saracens. M. le Bailli de Suffren examined the manuſcript laſt week, and is of opinion, that it is written on bamboo leaves after the Eaſtern manner.

About a fortnight ago, a bricklayer in Normandy ſent his ſon, twenty years old, down into a well, to cut the wood-work that remained hanging, after being finiſhed. The young man being arrived at the depth of forty feet, and about three from the water, was ſeized inſtantly by a mephitic vapour, which inſtantly deprived him of his ſenſes. The father immediately went down, and experiencing the ſame fate, fainted away over the body of his ſon. The carpenter's work by good luck ſupported them both. Boucher, a common journeyman, had the courage to ſlide down by means of a rope, and perceiving that the father was entangled with the ſon, took all poſſible care to ſeparate him; and ſuſpended him. He then ordered the people round the well to pull them up by the help of pullies. The ſon had ſtill, ſomehow or other, one of his hands round his father's foot, and they maraculouſly brought to light and life both the unhappy victims of the infectious air. Boucher was handſomely rewarded. A candle was repeatedly afterwards ſent down to try the power of the mephytiſm, and conſtantly went out at ten or twelve feet deep. A bird in a cage, and a cat, expired, when arrived pretty near the water.

The celebrated Mrs E. (an Engliſh woman) after receiving the laſt mark of the Duke of O——'s generoſity (500 l. a year), has taken a trip to Straſburg with the Prince of Aremberg. It is remarkable that this lady always diſdained the ſighs of vulgar ſwains. Her pride is to have Princes in her chains; and, from the arms of the Lords V——a and C——y, ſhe has ſhared the bed of the preſumptive heir of a Crown, that of the firſt Prince of the blood in France, and now that of a Prince of the empire.

A ſhort epitaph for the late King of Pruſſia is much admired by the literati of Paris. It contains but few words, yet comprehends a great deal. *Hic cinis, ubique fama.* "His aſhes are here, but every where his fame."

LONDON, *Sept.* 26.

The Princeſs Elizabeth has had a return of her diſorder, and is now much indiſpoſed at Windſor.

The Prince of Wales came to town a few days ſince for the purpoſe of offering the Duke of Milan and his family his apartments at Windſor Caſtle, as a country reſidence during his ſtay in this kingdom, but it was politely declined.

Yeſterday the Duke of Milan dined with the Royal Family at Windſor.

The Archduchеſs of Auſtria's father is expected here in a few days.

On Saturday his Majeſty took the diverſion of hunting in Windſor Foreſt; and in the evening went to the obſervatory at the Tower to view by night glaſſes the proceſs of a grand experiment, which was put to trial at Shuter's Hill and Nettlebed by two experienced engineers, for the purpoſe of conveying ſituative ſignals, in time of night, between army and army, in caſe of a neceſſitous diſjunction; at which his Majeſty expreſſed great ſatisfaction.

A council is ſummoned to be held to morrow at St James's, for the purpoſe, it is ſuppoſed, of iſſuing a proclamation for the meeting of Parliament at an early period.

The meeting of Parliament for the diſpatch of buſineſs will certainly take place before Chriſtmas, and the day for ſuch meeting we underſtand will be determined upon in the courſe of this week.

We have the authority of one of the Crown lawyers to ſay, that Parliament is certainly to meet, as was originally announced, on Tueſday the 21ſt of November.

The reſolution of Miniſtry, with regard to the meeting of Parliament before Chriſtmas, is founded on the reaſonable expectation, that the commercial treaty with France will be concluded in a few days. It is for the purpoſe of conſidering that treaty that the Houſes are to be called before the holidays. It is neceſſary therefore that the negociation ſhould be over before the middle of October, as otherwiſe there would not be time for the proclamation of forty days.

The Speaker of the Houſe of Commons has given notice, that within fourteen days from the 19th inſt. he will iſſue his warrant for the election of a member for Saltaſh, in the room of Charles Jenkinſon, Eſq; now Lord Hawkeſbury.

It is confidently aſſerted, that the whole of the commercial treaty with France is ſettled, except the articles of brandy and wines. Each article has been ſeparately diſcuſſed, and on the arrangement of each article, it has been ſubmitted to the judge and officers of the Admiralty Court to ſee how far it might militate againſt any ſubſiſting treaties with other powers, &c. The article of hardware is ſettled very much to the favour of the Engliſh manufacturer; but miniſters are averſe from granting an eaſy import to brandy, as, being a very favourite liquor, it would greatly affect our domeſtic diſtillery, as well as be injurious to our Weſt-India iſlands, which we all know are already ſufficiently diſtreſſed for a market for their rums.

It is now confidently ſaid, that the Convention with Spain is concluded, but at preſent is of no effect; becauſe the Spaniſh Ambaſſador here has no powers to ſign it.—When he receives his proper powers, the treaty will be immediately ratified—and until that time, it is reported, Lord Walſingham is not to kiſs hands.

The few who are acquainted with the principal trait of the treaty, ſay, that it is very honourable and advantageous to this country.

The Commercial Treaty between this country and France is finiſhed, as to all its eſſential points. But our Court are not ready to give it the concluding *fiat*. France, however, is both ready and willing to do her part. But our Miniſters have *ſome doubts*, ariſing from certain *ambiguities* in *another* quarter—this quarter is,

Ruſſia. The Commercial Treaty, which has been negociating between our Court and that of Peterſburgh, is at a STAND, owing to the very *ſingular* conduct of that Court; which, it is ſaid, inſiſts upon including the pervading principle of the famous *armed neutrality*, which was ſo injurious to us during the laſt war, viz. "That free ſhips made free bottoms;" and that the produce of Ruſſia ſhall be exported *only* in Ruſſian veſſels. Britiſh goods may be carried to Ruſſia in Britiſh veſſels; but Ruſſian articles ſhall be carried from Ruſſia in no other but Ruſſian veſſels.

This buſineſs goes a little farther yet; and, to comprehend it clearly, it is neceſſary to mention *another* negociation now carrying on; which is between France and Ruſſia.

Ruſſia keeps an inflexible eye upon ſome part or parts of Turkey. Hoſtilities between the Grand Signior and the Empreſs of Ruſſia are more than probable; almoſt certain. France has hitherto taken the part of the Grand Signior againſt Ruſſia; but the preſent negociation between Ruſſia and France has undoubtedly the *neutrality* of France for one of its objects.

Our treaty with France, therefore, now hangs upon the difficulty with Ruſſia. As ſoon as that difficulty is got over, the treaty with France will be inſtantly concluded.

By letters from Turin, dated Sept. 15th, we learn, that ſome extraordinary demands have been made by the Spaniſh Miniſter at that Court, reſpecting the revival of a claim upon part of the dukedom of Savoy; and that theſe pretenſions had been ſtrongly ſupported by the Imperial and French Ambaſſadors.

The Sardinian Princes of the preſent times appear to have loſt the political and military virtues of the ancient Dukes of Savoy. They behold without alarm, at leaſt without any effort to prevent it, a combination of the great powers by which they are environed, the Auſtrians, the Spaniſh, and the French, which muſt finally terminate, if not quaſhed by ſome concurrence of circumſtances, at preſent unforeſeen, in their ſubjection. Should the partitioning policy of the three great continental Monarchies triumph over that balance of power which has for ſo many centuries been preſerved in Europe, liberty would make her laſt ſtand amidſt the mountains of Switzerland.

The return of the Duke of Cumberland from Spa is hourly expected; but his Royal Highneſs is not to ſtay any longer than to make a few viſits, and to give the neceſſary orders for the further repairs at Cumberland-houſe.

The declining ſtate of the Duke of Buccleugh's health rendering a viſit to the South of France neceſſary, in the opinion of his Grace's phyſicians, he ſet out for that quarter on Friday laſt.

Yeſterday at two o'clock died, of a fever, Lady Harriet Elliot, the ſiſter of Mr Pitt. This ſudden event has thrown the family into the utmoſt diſtreſs. Mr Pitt poſtponed his intended jaunt on account of her Ladyſhip's illneſs. This he intimated to Lady Chatham by letter on Friday, and yeſterday he ſent a meſſenger to inform her of the melancholy tidings of her daughter's death.

By a letter from Buxton Wells we learn, that the Lord Chancellor has already received much benefit, and gains ſtrength every day.

Several letters lately arrived from Jamaica, and other parts of the Weſtern world, mention, that the King of Spain has publiſhed an edict, in which he declares that the provinces of Louiſiana and Eaſt and Weſt Florida are ſpeedily to be ceded to the French; and New Orleans was to be declared a free port.

Captain Phillips is appointed Commodore of the ſquadron which is to ſail with the convicts to Botany-bay, where he is to remain as Governor, with a ſalary of 500 l. per annum, excluſive of his pay as an officer. He is to take with him a Maſter and Commander, who is to remain as Lieutenant Governor, with a ſalary of 300 l. per annum. The number of convicts to be taken are about 700 men and about 150 women.

This morning his Excellency the Dutch Ambaſſador, Baron Lynden, received ſome diſpatches from Holland; and by the ſame mail diſpatches were likewiſe received from Sir James Harris, the Britiſh Ambaſſador at the Hague.

Two gentlemen, in an official department, who arrived yeſterday from Holland, by the way of Calais, report that things are quiet in Holland, and in a fair train of being amicably ſettled.

There is indeed a great deal of exaggeration in the accounts given in the London newſpapers of the contentions in the United Provinces. The Stadtholder and the States are, doubtleſs, at variance; but ſtill their differences do not intimate, with any high degree of certainty, that a civil war will enſue. No lives have yet been loſt by powder and ball. The King of Pruſſia has a ſtrong attachment to his kinſman. The Emperor of Germany has a ſtrong averſion both to the Stadtholder and the repreſentatives of the people; and beſides, his claim has been ſatisfied. And as to the French, they are of all the nations on the continent the leaſt diſpoſed to take any ſteps that may pave the way to a war; they have ſoldiers; but they want both money and the means of ſpeedily acquiring it. If their advice, which is leſs valuable than wind, as they never give it but to profit themſelves, can afford any pleaſure to the Seven United Provinces, it will not be wanting. Let not, however, the Dutch preſume to requeſt more, or *Monſieur will certainly beg to have the honour of being excuſed.*

Whether the Dutch go to loggerheads or not, Great Britain cannot be a ſufferer by their fate. If they remain quiet, we ſhall remain as we now are. Indeed we ſhall not have to change our condition on any event. For the ſafety of the continental ſtates in general will always prevent a partition of the Dutch territories among the French and Auſtrians; and a war in which both they and the Pruſſians ſhould be engaged, would not injure us, as our part would be merely to ſtand by and witneſs the folly and the conſequent diſtreſſes of our enemies.

In one of the memorials which Sir Joſeph Yorke preſented to the States General, previous to the late war, he intreated their High Mightineſſes to reflect, that their appointed days of prayer and faſting for public calamities brought to their remembrance their alliances with France, and that all their eſtabliſhed periods for public thankſgiving marked their political friendſhip with Great Britain. The preſent alarming ſtate of this divided republic, may perhaps force that conviction upon them, which all the eloquence of Sir Joſeph Yorke's remonſtrance was not able to effectuate.

The King of Spain has lately iſſued out a proclamation well worthy the attention of all legiſlative bodies. It is thereby enacted, that, in future, no creditor ſhall be permitted to impriſon for debt any artiſt, manufacturer, or handy-craftſman; nor to ſeize on his or their tools, or other articles, of which they have daily occaſion to carry on their reſpective trades. This new law owes its origin to the great number of journeymen daily taken from their occupations, and in fact loſt: His Moſt Catholic Majeſty juſtly obſerving, that executions and bodily impriſonment ſeldom failed to effect the debtor's ruin, without any real advantage to the creditor.

A plan has been ſuggeſted for bringing fiſh from Scotland to the London market perfectly freſh—This is to be done by laying them in ice, which will completely preſerve them—and by this means it is believed that the price of ſalmon, cod, codlings, haddocks, ſkait, and other fiſh with which the Scots waters abound, will be reduced very conſiderably in price. The plan is ſuggeſted by the Hon. Captain Cochran, brother to Lord Dundonald, and preparations are now making to carry it extenſively into effect.

The moſt ingenious artificer now in Paris is a native of Scotland; he begged his bread from the northernmoſt part of the Highlands up to London, where after ſeveral progreſſive ſteps of wretchedneſs and miſery, he was admitted to ſweep the ſhop of a jeweller. By a long courſe of attentive obſervation, he obtained ſome little inſight into the rudiments of the buſineſs, and having always laid up very carefully what his civility to the cuſtomers of the ſhop got him, he at laſt ſcraped together a few pounds. With this he travelled to Paris, where he was taken apprentice by a jeweller of ſome eminence. His maſter, who obſerved his honeſty and abilities, furniſhed him with five hundred crowns when his time of apprenticeſhip expired; and from this ſmall ſum, by a gradual encreaſe of buſineſs, which his taſte in deſigns, and his elegance in working has procured him, he is become one of the firſt tradeſmen in Paris.

Banniſter and Johnſtone had nearly been caſt away during the late ſtormy weather, in their paſſage from Ireland; at one particular time the ſhip was expected to go down every minute, and Charles ſaid his prayers, being his firſt appearance in that character.

As no beneficial advantage has ariſen to this or any other country, from the inflating and ſending into the atmoſphere ſmoke-bags, called balloons; and

as the unfortunate Rozier and his companion loſt their lives by this adventurous enterpriſe, and lately one of our own countrymen at Newcaſtle was deſtroyed in a ſimilar manner, it is to be hoped, for the ſake of humanity, that an effectual and total ſtop will be put to this miſchievous mode of entertaining the gaping multitude.

Extract of a letter from Portſmouth, Sept. 22.

"Arrived the Janus, Daviſon, from Peterſburgh. The Nautilus ſloop of war is gone out of harbour to Spithead.

"The Duke and Ducheſs of Milan arrived here late laſt night, and this morning went round the harbour, attended by Lord Hood, and all the Captains at this port. After going on board the Victory, and ſurveying moſt parts of that ſhip, they repaired on board the Triumph of 74 guns (the Admiral's ſhip), where a moſt elegant breakfaſt was provided; after which they landed at the dock-yard, to ſurvey the ſhipping and ſtorehouſes."

Extract of a letter from the Hague, Sept. 17.

"M. le Marquis de Verac (the French Ambaſſador) had on Friday laſt a conference with ſeveral of the members of the regency; in conſequence the public report is, that the King of France looks upon the march of the troops, ordered by the Prince Stadtholder, as an open rebellion; and his Majeſty has declared to all the foreign Miniſters reſident at the Court of Verſailles, that although he will not abſolutely meddle in the domeſtic differences of the States, yet he ſhall not view, with an indifferent eye, the interference of other powers, which, if his Majeſty finds to take place, he will aſſiſt the *Province of Holland*, and defend it with his forces. Thus we perceive the Grand Monarque has not quite forgot the ſervices the Stadtholder rendered Great Britain laſt war, when he delayed the Dutch fleet from ſailing, till Lord Howe had time to get before the Texel, which hindered them from joining the Breſt fleet."

SIR, *London, Sept. 22, 1786.*

IN addition to the many malicious and falſe reports that have been circulated to my diſadvantage, I have lately ſeen two pamphlets, entitled, Memoirs of the Life of Major James George Semple, through the channel of your paper. I beg leave to inform the public, that they are both equally falſe, abſurd, and ridiculous; the one publiſhed by Kearſly, has indeed the reſemblance of truth, and from introducing ſome living characters, one would be at firſt ſight apt to conclude them facts; be aſſured, however, Mr Printer, that thoſe anecdotes are ſo mutilated and altered from the real truth, that nothing but the names remain. But, Sir, it is not my intention to enter at preſent into a vindication of my character, nor to attempt to diſprove thoſe various attacks. I only wiſh to inform you and the public, that I ſhall very ſhortly take ſome legal ſteps to puniſh thoſe vile and infamous calumniators; after which the public ſhall be preſented with a real and candid ſtate of the facts. Only allow me, Sir, reſpecting the anecdote of Baron H—— to aſſure you, that the Baron's buſineſs in London was in purſuit of a fair lady, who reſides on the Surrey ſide of Blackfriar's Bridge, whoſe charms had captivated him in Holland, and who was kind as could be wiſhed. And as Mr Tatterſall is a man well known, and whoſe name is made uſe of I wiſh to inform you that I had never any tranſaction with him, except in purchaſing a pack of hounds, for which I paid ready money, and ſent them to Germany; further than this I am convinced Mr Tatterſall himſelf would not alledge. Mr Wood, of the Hotel, Covent-Garden, is alſo mentioned; I deny ever having been at his houſe, or having had any tranſaction whatſoever with him.

You will, Sir, I hope, excuſe any defects that may be in this letter; my fate has been ſuch as to afford me more opportunity of weikling the ſword than the pen.

I am, Sir,
Your moſt obedient ſervant,
J. G. SEMPLE.

To the Printer of the Morning Chronicle.

PRICE OF STOCKS, SEPT. 26.

Bank Stock, ſhut.	India Stock, 166½.
3 per cent. Ann. 113⅞ à ¼.	3 per cent. Ann. ſhut.
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, ſhut.	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. con. 77⅞ à ¾.	Ditto unpaid, 72 prem.
3 per cent. red. ſhut.	India Scrip. 13 prem.
3 per cent. 1726, —	Navy Bills, —
Long Ann. ſhut.	Exch. Bills, 60 prem.
Ditto 1778, —	Lottery Tickets, 15 l. 1 s. 6 d.
South Sea Stock, —	
3 per cent. Old. Ann. —	Bank for open. 156¼.
Ditto New Ann. —	Conſols for Oct. 78⅛ à 78.
Ditto 1751, —	

WIND AT DEAL, SEPT. 25. W. N. W.

EDINBURGH.

[For the County Rogue-money Bill, ſee firſt page.]

Extract of a letter from London, Sept. 26.

"The Captain of a Glaſgow ſhip, after having carried a cargo of tobacco from Virginia to Rotterdam, called in at Redbridge for a cargo of bark for Glaſgow; upon which the veſſel was immediately ſeized for having a few gallons of ſpirits on board, which were concealed by the crew. As the officers have ſtrict orders not to paſs even the moſt trifling article, in the ſmuggling way, it is not impoſſible, however hard upon the maſter and owners, that the veſſel may be condemned. At any rate, the expence, and loſs by detention, muſt be conſiderable. A caution this to owners of ſhips, to take care what ſailors they engage in their ſervice.

"It was this day at noon very confidently reported, that matters in diſpute between the Prince Stadtholder and their High Mightineſſes of Holland, were in a fair way of being ſettled, an accommodation having nearly taken place; but the fact, however much to be wiſhed for, is much doubted by thoſe who are moſt intelligent in the political world.

"A Council will be held to-morrow at St James's, ſummonſes having been iſſued for that purpoſe, at which the time for the meeting of Parliament will be poſitively fixed, moſt probably for the middle of November.

"An augmentation of the number of the order of the Thiſtle and Bath is in contemplation; but how far they are meant to be encreaſed is not at preſent known, though ſeveral promiſes are ſaid to have been obtained for both orders, whenever the new regulation ſhall take place.

"The Princeſs Eliſabeth is again dangerouſly ill, and her death is more ſeriouſly looked for than ever.

"The reſidence of his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland is preparing for his reception, the Duke being daily expected there."

Captain Thomas Thomſon, of the late 98th regiment, and laſt on the Bengal eſtabliſhment, died on his paſſage home from India. His relations and friends will be pleaſed to accept of this notification of his death.

Yeſterday Robert Preſton, Eſq; member of Parliament for Dover, was unanimouſly preſented with the freedom of this city.

Thurſday laſt, the Lord Provoſt and Magiſtrates held Head Courts at Leith and Newhaven as ſuperiors of theſe places. They afterwards had an elegant dinner at the Leith Aſſembly Room, of which moſt of the principal inhabitants partook, having received invitations for that purpoſe. In the courſe of the evening many loyal and conſtitutional toaſts were given, among which the health of Sir Richard Muſgrave was drank, for his ſpirited conduct in ſo nobly enforcing the due execution of the laws of his country.

It is now determined, that Mr Palmer's plan for conveying the poſt by mail coaches from London to Edinburgh, is to take place in a few weeks, by which the poſts will arrive a day earlier at London and Edinburgh, than at preſent.

Lady Fitzwilliam continues in ſo indifferent a ſtate of health, as to occaſion the moſt ſerious apprehenſions among her friends.

On Saturday laſt, in the afternoon, a concave mirror, placed in a gentleman's drawing-room without Bootham Bar, York, reflected the rays of the ſun ſo powerfully upon the table on which it ſtood, and againſt the frames of ſome pictures, that they were actually ſet on fire, and the whole room would have ſoon been in flames, had not this alarming accident been timely diſcovered.

Thurſday laſt, Mr James French, preacher of the goſpel, was ordained miniſter of the pariſh of Carmunnock.

Tueſday laſt, William Gardener, a ſhoemaker in Dumbarton, fell from his horſe, on his way home to that place, and was killed, by the horſe ſtriking him on the head after he fell.

A veſſel juſt arrived at Leith brings advice, that nine veſſels are on ſhore on the coaſt of Norway, in conſequence of the late ſtormy weather; but it is not mentioned to what nation they belong; nor have we been able to learn any particulars.

The Young, Herdman, arrived at London from Kirkcaldy, the 20th inſt.

The Diana, Ritchie, from London, arrived at Leith yeſterday.

On the 14th current, the Unity, Halket, from Borrowſtounneſs to London, then lying at Cockſand off Harwich, was under the neceſſity, in a hard gale, of cutting from her cables, and put to ſea. She got back to Yarmouth on the 21ſt; and, having got the neceſſary repairs, it was expected ſhe would reach the Thames by the Sunday following.

The Janet, Captain Chitholm, from Clyde to Virginia, put back to Greenock on Saturday evening having carried away her main maſt, in a gale of wind, off Torrie, laſt Thurſday morning. The damage is now repaired, and the veſſel ready to proceed on her voyage.

The Mercury, Luſk, from Jamaica, for Virginia, was off Cape Henry, on the 16th of Auguſt, all well.

The Neſtor, Robertſon, is arrived in the Thames from Virginia.

Helena, Dunlop, at Virginia, from Clyde.
Samuel, Jamieſon, at Barcelona, from New York.
Almy, Tarbett, at Liverpool, from Memel.
Planter, Luckney, at Virginia, from Grenada.
William and Mary, Dodd, at Maryland, from ditto.
Bachelors, Hookey, at l'Orient, from Virginia.
Bell, Anderſon, at Oſtend, from Clyde.
Nancy, Cochran, at Dublin, from Clyde.
Chriſtie, Johnſton, at Dublin, from Clyde.

PETERSBURGH EXPORTS TO SCOTLAND,
To 16th AUGUST 1786.

	Ships.	*Iron.*	*Hemp.*	*Flax.*	*Tallow.*
Port Glaſgow,	1	2520	1286	11	26
Carron,	1	—	—	1003	—
Dumfries,	1	1260	540	—	47
Dunbar,	2	1260	1965	333	950
Aberdeen,	2	2394	5025	1069	3790
Irvine,	1	630	2569	66	438
Montroſe,	1	3346	—	—	—
Inverneſs,	1	3138	—	—	—
Cromarty,	1	913	—	—	—
Greenock,	1	2331	3850	758	—
Borrowſtounneſs,	2	2520	183	945	—
Grangemouth,	7	20965	277	640	8300
Dundee,	8	8969	—	23003	1832
Leith,	21	33469	16727	29233	79104
	50	83675	32422	57061	94487

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman on the north ſide of Jamaica, to his friend in Edinburgh, dated July 1.

"Bad crops make bad payments; thoſe that were bleſt with tolerable crops cannot ſatisfy the demands againſt them. Flour is now 4l. 10s. the barrel, and many proprietors in this part of the iſland obliged to feed their negroes, man, woman, and child; nay, ſome have been in that ſituation ever ſince the Auguſt ſtorm. The only cry of the negroes is, "*Hungry, hungry,*" and of the whites, "Where is the money gone?" If you aſk a perſon when you will call for payment of his accompt? his anſwer is, Not this year. Kingſton goal is full of debtors; ſome ſay they will be obliged to add a wing to it. In the courſe of three months the land here will be covered with plenty for man and beaſt."

The ſame gentleman writes in a letter, dated July 19, "We are in a ſhocking ſituation for want of proviſions, both for whites and blacks. Rum has riſen in price from 3d. to 6d. per gallon."

Extract of a letter from Dublin, Sept. 23.

"Yeſterday, an expreſs arrived at the Caſtle from Lord Carmarthen's office in London, bringing over, it is ſaid, a tranſcript of the preliminary articles of the commercial treaty between his Majeſty and the Court of France. On this being reported, ſome merchants we hear attended at the Secretary's office, in order to get information on the ſubject but they were informed, that no particulars relative to this buſineſs could be communicated until it was done officially in Parliament."

Cork, Sept. 18. Laſt Saturday, between the hours of four and five o'clock in the evening, Cornelius Sullivan, in attempting to take Nicholas Leader, for a debt, was ſhot between the left breaſt and ſhoulder by the latter, and inſtantly expired.

Laſt Thurſday night, about two thouſand Right-boys, moſtly mounted, came to the houſe of the widow Roliſton, of Bridepark, near Tallow, and demanded of her two men belonging to the Rev. Mr Jervois, of Liſhmore, who were ſent with two horſes to help her home with tythes, which ſhe farmed, the country people being ſworn not to give her any aſſiſtance; not getting the two men, they immediately threw all the corn and hay which they found in the river Bride.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

IN addition to the remarks contained in your paper of this day week, on the trade of Leith, I have to mention, that from the moſt authentic and reſpectable evidence I have been able to collect, the merchants of that place have, within theſe laſt four years, bought and repaired ſhips in out ports to the amount of above forty thouſand pounds; and they have paid freight to Engliſh ſhips, of late years, to the amount of ten thouſand pounds *per annum*; in 1783, more than twice that ſum, every farthing of which would naturally have been expended in the place, had there been a number of dock-yards ſufficient for its trade; as it may naturally be ſuppoſed, that the owner of a ſhip would rather have her built and repaired under his own eye, than employ ſhip-builders living at a diſtance.

It is a notorious fact, that large fortunes have been made at Sunderland, Shields, and Whitby, by perſons who had no other trade than that of hiring out their veſſels.

To theſe circumſtances, add the vaſt conſequence it would be to the trade of Leith in particular, as well as to the nation at large, to have a harbour ſufficient to receive all the ſhips that are driven up the frith of Forth by ſtormy weather or other accidents, as well as to ſhelter ſhips that might take refuge there in war time, ſuppoſe a Baltic fleet, or any ſuch.

I mention theſe things to you, Mr Printer, to give your readers ſome idea of the neceſſity of having our harbour enlarged; and of the conſequence it will be to the public, as well as to the inhabitants of Leith.

I am, Mr Printer, your obedient ſervant,
Leith, Sept. 30. 1786. MERCATOR.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

IF the following ſhall find a place in your uſeful paper, it will oblige

A CONSTANT READER.

ADVICES *to* STAGE-WRITERS.

HAVING procured pens, ink, and paper, ſet yourſelf ſeriouſly to work. If you have any friend with whom you would wiſh to paſs for a learned man, you may appoint him to give you a call; and I would adviſe you to receive him in the following manner:—Having ſeated yourſelf at table, recline your head on your left hand; and if you really cannot think on any thing, at leaſt ſeem to do ſo. Don't obſerve him when he enters. After he has kicked his heels for ſome time, you may diſcover him with—"Ah! my friend, how do you? How the deuce "did you come here? To what am I indebted for "the honour of this viſit?" When he tells you it was by your own appointment——"Ah! Gadſo—"but I have been ſo buried in thought ſince—I beg "your pardon—Pray be ſeated."—You may withdraw your lucubrations in an affected hurry. If you have wrote nothing, it will look as if you had; and if you have actually wrote, it may ſave you the mortification of expoſing, ten to one, your dulneſs; for you know it is not to be expected that one ſhould be always in the humour of writing; and this, who knows, may be one of your dull days. You may, to great advantage, ſcatter careleſsly about the floor a few tattered folios. Folios are better than quartos or octavos—they ſeem to require labour and ſtudy. This I beg you won't neglect.—If you would take my advice, never meddle with a Prologue to your play. It is quite abſurd. It anticipates the pleaſure of the audience. And, ſhould the treat not come up to the bill of fare, you may lay your account with your play being irretrievably damned. For theſe reaſons, I hope you will have ſenſe enough not to attempt a Prologue. And ſhould any troubleſome friend offer to aſſiſt you with one, (which, it appears, an impertinent fellow, one Garrick, often did) I entreat you, refuſe his aſſiſtance. He may, peradventure, have more wit than yourſelf; and it would be the devil to expend your whole ſhot at the firſt broadſide. If theſe arguments have any weight with you, for God's ſake, and your own, never write an Epilogue. It is an inſult on the ſenſe of the audience. It would look very pretty, to be ſure, to ſum up the plot of your play (if your play ſhould happen to have a plot) in the Epilogue, and give the audience a good advice in a brace of fine clinking lines at the end of it, as if, forſooth, they could not judge for themſelves. I only aſk you how you would take this yourſelf? Avoid it by all means. Let them judge for themſelves: And if they have diſcernment enough to diſcover the plot, which may not be ſuch an eaſy taſk, it will flatter their underſtanding; and this, take my word for it, is the moſt effectual way of making your play take. Should it unfortunately happen otherwiſe, it muſt proceed from want of taſte in your audience; it never can, from want of abilities in you.

If you make a good uſe of theſe hints, I may, perhaps, aſſiſt you through the whole of your laborious undertaking.

Your's HISTRIO.

THE DUNDEE ſis received. B[illegible] him and our FIFESHIRE CORRESP[illegible] ried on longer than we wiſhed or ex[illegible] now to put an end to it.

STIRLING, *September* [illegible]

This day came on here, the elect[illegible] Town Council for the enſuing year, [illegible] Gentlemen were choſen, viz.

JAMES YOUNG, Proveſt and High Sheriff.

Meſſrs. Robert Banks, ſenior, John Glaſs, junior, Alexander Littlejohn, Robert Banks, junior,	Bailies and Sheriffs.
John Gilchriſt,	— Dean of Guild.
James Jaffray,	— Deacon-Convener.
David Muſchet,	— Treaſurer.
David Gourlay, William Anderſon, John Sutherland, John Hill, Peter Belch, William Hill, Henry Graham,	Merchant Counſellors.
Thomas Stewart,	—Deacon of the Hammermen
John Paton,	—Deacon of the Weavers.
James Crawford,	—Deacon of the Tailors.
Alexander Wilſon,	—Deacon of the Cordiners.
John Taylor,	—Deacon of the Fleſhers.
And Patrick Cuninghame,	—Deacon of the Skinners.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH, Sept. 23. Jean, Napier, from Anſtruther, with oats; Margaret, Dunbar, from Leith, with oats; Eliſabeth, Mearns, from Montroſe, with wheat.—26. Active, Allan, from Memel, with timber; Friendſhip, Eaſton, from Leith, with wrought iron; Jean and Mary, Kennedy, from Leith; for Glaſgow, with oak bark; Diſpatch, Aitken, from Borrowſtounneſs, for ditto, with goods.

SAILED, Carron, Sibley, for London, with goods.

ARRIVED AT LEITH—Sept. 27. Betſey, Robertſon, from Berwick, with grain; Good Intent, Houſton, from Lerwick, with kelp; Two Siſters, Garey, from Moldo, with tar; Betty, Foreman, from Wick, with herrings, &c.—28. Friendſhip, Galbreath, from North Uiſt, with kelp; Elizabeth Jamieſon, from Lynn, with grain; Friendſhip Packet, Kiler, from Shetland, with goods; Caledonia, Brown, from Peterſburgh, with goods; Friendſhip, Ritchie, from London, with goods.—29. Mary, Slanders, from Long Iſland, with kelp.—30. Providence, Jones, from Alloa, with goods and coals; Eleonora, Taylor, from North Uiſt, with kelp; Livingſton, Gordon, from London, with goods; and four ſloops with coals.

SAILED, Mally, Brodie, for Thurſo, with goods; Jean, Ferrier, for Glaſgow, with goods; Mary Roſe, Bruce, for Macduff, with goods; Lady Elizabeth, Gray, for Stockton, with goods; Matty, Crumbie, for Montroſe, with goods; Active, Jamieſon, for Glaſgow, with ditto.

Norway Tar.

A CARGO of the beſt quality for ſheep-ſmearing, now diſcharging at the Quay in Leith, to be ſold by William Sibbald and Company.

ALSO, Now diſcharging from the Ship ROSELLE, juſt arrived from Jamaica,

A Cargo of the beſt JAMAICA RUM, ſome of it old, and fit for immediate uſe. To be ſold as above.

EDUCATION.

MR GORDON has removed from Glaſgow, to the firſt ſtorey of the Scale Stairs, at the head of Blackfriar's Wynd, Edinburgh, where, on Monday the 9th inſtant, he will begin to teach the following branches of Education.

The ROMAN CLASSICS, in an eaſy method, calculated to fix the attention, and lay a foundation for good taſte and true criticiſm.

ARITHMETIC and BOOK-KEEPING, upon a liberal, ſcientific, and practical plan, as laid down and illuſtrated in his Univerſal Accountant, ſold by Mr Donaldſon—Arithmetical Text book, ſold by Mr Gordon, &c.

GEOMETRY and ALGEBRA, with their particular application to all the purpoſes of Menſuration and Mechanics.

The hours of attendance during the Winter ſeaſon, will be from nine in the morning to three afternoon, from four to ſix, and from ſeven to nine; but how theſe hours are to be appropriated to the Claſſes reſpectively, will be expreſſed in a future advertiſement.

Mr GORDON's character as a Teacher in Glaſgow, is well known in almoſt every quarter of the globe; and he hopes, by his diligence and attention, to render his experience and long practice of ſome conſequence to this flouriſhing metropolis.

In the Preſs, and will be publiſhed in a few Days;

VOLUME I. OF

A Complete Collection of Styles,

BY THE JURIDICAL SOCIETY.

In Three Volumes Quarto.

Conſiſting of Heritable Rights, Perſonal and Moveable Rights, and Signet Letters.

THIS preſent volume comprehends the heritable ſtyles, and contains the following titles:

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4. Redeemable rights.
5. Conveyances of redeemable rights.
6. Signatures and other grants.
7. Grants by progreſs from a ſubject-ſuperior.
8. Completion of real rights by infeftment.
9. Extinction of real redeemable rights.
10. Leaſes, with conveyances and extinctions thereof.

The Juridical Society think it proper to inform the Public, that they had no concern with any former publication of Styles; nor have they with any collection now in the preſs or propoſed to be publiſhed, other than the volume above mentioned.

N. B. The perſon by whom the above Collection of Styles is to be ſold, will be mentioned in a future advertiſement.

To be LET, and entered to immediately,

A Dwelling-houſe at the back of the Fountain Well, conſiſting of a ſhop or ware-room, a good parlour and bed-room, a ſmall room, kitchen, and other conveniencies. It is the firſt flat above the ſhops, and enters by a ſtone ſtair from the pavement.

For particulars apply to Mr Dallas ſilk-dyer, the proprietor, or George Cairncroſs, and William Murray, junior, writers.

A Furniſhed Houſe in Selkirk-ſhire

TO LET.

THE HOUSE of GALASHIELS, conſiſting of dining-room, drawing-room, nine bed-rooms, and ſeveral bed-cloſets. The dining-room and drawing-room are each thirty feet in length by twenty in breadth. There are alſo a kitchen, laundry, cellars, waſhing houſe, brew-houſe, complete ſtables and coach-houſe, ſervants rooms, and every other conveniency.

The houſe is completely furniſhed. There is a large garden ſurrounded with fruit-walls at a convenient diſtance from it. It ſtands moſt pleaſantly ſituated upon the river Gala, about thirty miles from Edinburgh, near the town of Galaſhiels, where there is an excellent market.

The country around is moſt conveniently ſituated for hunting, ſhooting, fiſhing, and every other country amuſement. The houſe will be let for one, two, or more years, as ſhall be agreed on. The entry to be immediately. A tenant will have as much graſs ground as he chuſes.

For particulars apply to Thomas or Archibald Tods, writers to the ſignet, Edinburgh.—The gardener will ſhow the premiſſes.

Adjournment of a Roup.

THE Roup of the Houſe in the Cowgate, preſently poſſeſſed by the Antiquarian Society, which ſhould have taken place on Friday laſt, was deferred, at the deſire of ſome perſons intending to purchaſe, till the beginning of November next —Public notice will be afterwards given of the day fixed on for the roup.

THERE is to be LET, and entered to at Martinmas, or betwixt and Whitſunday next,

That commodious and well-frequented INN oppoſite to the Tolbooth, Kirkcaldy, and head of the New Street.

As alſo, the MALT STEADING and BREWERY, with all the Utenſils thereto belonging, either on a valuation, or rented along with the houſe.

The premiſſes to be ſhown by Mr Nicol, preſent tenant. Mr Cameron, White Hart Inn, Graſs-market, Edinburgh, will conclude a bargain.

N. B. The tackſman may have all or any part of the Houſehold Furniture, upon a valuation.

To LET immediately or at Martinmas next, for one or two years,

A Large Dwelling-Houſe, unfurniſhed,

ſituated on that diviſion of Prince's Street between Caſtle Street and Frederick Street, New Town, conſiſting of 14 fire-rooms, one without a fire-place, kitchen, cellars, and many other conveniencies ſuiting a genteel family; together with a coach-houſe, ſtable for four horſes, and waſhing-houſe adjoining to the back garden belonging to the premiſſes, all incloſed with a ſtone wall, having an entry or thorough-gang to the Meuſe Lane.

For particulars apply to Alexander M'Lauchlan or Thomas Fowler, at Mr William Macdonald's, writer to the ſignet. No. 26. Prince's Street, Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, upon Tueſday the 13th day of November 1786, at ſix o'clock afternoon,

All and Whole one Six-ſtall Stable,

with Hay-loft;—One Four-ſtall Stable, with Hay loft;—One Three-ſtall Stable, and a large Coach-houſe, all lying in Campbell's Cloſe, on the north ſide of Canongate, a little below Milton-houſe, on the oppoſite ſide.

The progreſs of writs, and conditions of ſale, to be ſeen in the hands of Alexander Thomſon, writer in Edinburgh, to whom thoſe intending to purchaſe by private bargain may apply.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Farms of Eaſt and Weſt Logans,

lying in the pariſh of Sorn, and ſhire of Ayr.

Theſe lands lie very pleaſantly ſituated in the middle of a fertile country, ſurrounded with gentlemen's ſeats, between the two thriving villages of Cumnock and Mauchline; have a good ſituation for building upon; conſiſt of 106 acres of ground, all arable, incloſed, and ſub divided with ditch and hedge; at preſent are under leaſe, of which 16 years are yet to run: However, if purchaſers incline, they may have acceſs thereto at Martinmas 1787.

For further particulars apply to Robert Hunter writer, Bunkers-hill, No. 3. Edinburgh; and ſuch who want to view the lands may call upon James Dalgliſh, tenant thereof.

SALE OF LANDS.

TO be SOLD, the LANDS of TORWOOD. As alſo, theſe detached Farms, lying in the pariſhes of Larbert and Airth, and county of Stirling, called CRAWNEST, LOCHS, BELLSDYKE, and CARSEBROCK.

The ſituation of Torwood is remarkably beautiful, commanding a delightful and moſt extenſive proſpect; and there is a great quantity of valuable trees of various kinds upon the lands. The ſoil of the other farms is extremely good, and their vicinity to the Carron Works greatly encreaſes their value.—For particulars apply to John Dundas clerk to the ſignet.—William Lewis at the houſe of Carronhall, will ſhow the grounds.

Sale of Johnſton.

TO be be SOLD by public auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 6th day of December 1786,

The LANDS of JOHNSTON, called JOHNSTONMAINS, and pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh of Eſkdale-muir, and ſheriffdom of Dumfries. Thomas Johnſton of Grange, will inform as to particulars concerning their extent; and the tenants will ſhow the grounds.

The progreſs of writs, which are clear, and rental, may be ſeen, by applying to Meſſrs. John Gordon and Alexander Abercromby, writers to the ſignet.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES MITCHELL and COMPANY, Merchants in Glaſgow, and of James Mitchell, Merchant in Glaſgow, as an individual.

WALTER EWING, Merchant in Glaſgow, Truſtee choſen upon the ſequeſtrated eſtates of the ſaid bankrupts, at the meeting of creditors held upon the 19th current, and whoſe appointment is confirmed by the Court, hereby, in terms of the ſtatute, requires all the creditors to lodge with him their claims, and vouchers, or grounds of debt, with their oaths for proving the ſame, as directed by the ſaid act, betwixt and the 2d day of May next, being nine kalendar months after the date of the interlocutor awarding the ſequeſtration; certifying theſe creditors who neglect to comply with this requiſition, that they ſhall not be entitled to any ſhare in the firſt diſtribution of the ſaid eſtates. WAL. EWING.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of WHYTLAW and SIMPSON, Saddlers in Glaſgow, and of James Simpſon, Saddler in Glaſgow, as an individual.

THE ſaid James Simpſon, Truſtee choſen upon the ſequeſtrated eſtates of the ſaid Company, and of himſelf as an individual, at the meeting of creditors held upon the 31ſt Auguſt laſt, and whoſe appointment is confirmed by the Court, hereby, in terms of the ſtatute, requires all the creditors to lodge with him their claims, and vouchers, or grounds of debt, with their oaths for proving the ſame, as directed by the ſaid act, betwixt and the 14th day of April next, being nine kalendar months after the date of the interlocutor awarding the ſequeſtration; certifying theſe creditors who ſhall neglect to comply with this requiſition, that they ſhall not be entitled to any ſhare in the firſt diſtribution of the ſaid eſtates. JAMES SIMPSON.

INTIMATION

To the CREDITORS of JOHN NIDDRIE, Victual Merchant and Cattle Dealer, at Honyhive in the county of Kincardine.

UPON the application of the ſaid John Niddrie, and ſeveral of his Creditors, the Lord Swinton, Ordinary on the Bills, upon the 28th current, ſequeſtrated his whole eſtate real and perſonal wherever ſituated; and appointed his Creditors to meet upon Tueſday the 10th of October next, at twelve o'clock noon, within the houſe of William Cream, vintner in Laurenceckirk, in order to name an interim factor on the ſaid ſequeſtrated eſtate; and for the other purpoſes mentioned in the late ſtatute, reſpecting inſolvent debtors.

The Creditors of the ſaid John Niddrie, are therefore required to attend the ſaid meeting, and to carry along with them their grounds of debt.

September 14. 1786.

THE Creditors of MR M'TAVISH,

late of DUNARDAY, are deſired to notice, That a ſtate of their intereſts, and an order for ranking them is made up, and to be ſeen in the hands of David Hutcheſon, clerk to James Ferrier, the truſtee, at his houſe in George's Street, Edinburgh; and the following creditors are required to make oath on the verity of their debts, on or before the 15th day of October next; with certification that ſuch as fail will then be ſtruck out, and that a diviſion of the funds will be made amon ſt thoſe who ſhall have deponed and produced the grounds of their debts:

1. John Cowan, in Glenakiln.
2. Iſaac Grant writer to the ſignet.
3. Gibſon and Balfour merchants, Edinburgh.
4. David Campbell of Comby.
5. Colin Campbell, at Auchnacroſh.
6. The Ship Bank, Glaſgow.
7. The Thiſtle Bank, Glaſgow
8. Archibald Campbell, tackſman of Kilhamack.
9. Dugald Campbell of Ederline, (and to produce the grounds of his claim.)

FARM IN FIFE.

TO be LET by public roup, upon a leaſe for fourteen years after Martinmas 1786, at Sauchopewood, on Friday the 6th day of October next, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

The LANDS of SAUCHOPEWOOD, KIRKLANDS, and LANGHOUSE-GREEN, conſiſting of about 63 acres, in the pariſh of Crail, and within a mile to the eaſtward of that burgh. Theſe lands lie upon the ſea ſide, are of a remarkable good ſoil, and have the advantage of ſea-weeds coming aſhore upon them in great quantities, which afford an excellent ſpecies of manure. There is a good dwelling-houſe with offices upon the grounds, which were built within theſe five years, and the whole lands are in fine order.

For particulars, apply to Mr Andrew Whyte, Town-clerk of Crail, or Alexander Gardner, at Exchequer.

Sale of the Inn, &c. at Crieff.

THERE is to be SOLD by public roup, within the houſe of James Allan vintner in Crieff, upon Thurſday the 26th day of October 1786, that large and well-frequented INN, ſituated in the ſquare of the thriving and populous town of Crieff, with Stables, a Coach-houſe, and other ſuitable Offices; and, along with the Inn, a beautiful PARK aujoining to it, conſiſting of eight acres of rich ground, completely incloſed with ſtone-dykes; and an excellent GARDEN. Theſe ſubjects are preſently poſſeſſed by the ſaid James Allan, and will be expoſed to ſale in one lot.

At the ſame time is to be ſold by roup, a HOUSE nd SHOP in the ſquare of Crieff, poſſeſſed by James Tainſh merchant, with a ſmall SHOP poſſeſſed by William Marſhall, and a ſuitable GARDEN, all in one lot. Likewiſe that HOUSE, SHOP, and GARDEN, adjoining to the former, poſſeſſed by Mungo Taylor merchant, in one lot.

Beſides the advantages ariſing to theſe ſubjects from their ſituation in the very beſt part of the town for buſineſs, and in the middle of a populous country, abounding with Gentlemen's Seats, the great roads from Perth to Stirling, and from Stirling to Tay-bridge, paſs through Crieff, and render the ſubjects a deſirable purchaſe.

The roup to begin at twelve o'clock mid-day.

For further particulars, apply to Mrs Murray at Crieff, the proprietor, or to James Chalmers writer in Perth, who has powers to conclude a private bargain.

Sale of Salt Works at Portſeaton.

THE Copartnery which ſubſiſted betwixt Dr F. Swediaur and Gavin Kempt late merchant in Leith, for carrying on a Salt Manufactory at Portſeaton being diſſolved, the Doctor, in conjunction with the Creditors of the ſaid Gavin Kempt, have agreed to a ſale of the ſaid Works; and the ſame, with the whole materials, utenſils, and goods belonging thereto, will be expoſed to public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 16th of October 1786, at five o'clock afternoon.

Theſe works have been lately erected at an expence of upwards of 2000 l. are ſituated about ten miles from Edinburgh, cloſe to a convenient harbour, within two miles of coal, and are conſtructed upon a new and very advantageous plan for making ſalt of a ſuperior quality. There is likewiſe a very large and commodious Storehouſe, immediately adjoining to the Works, which will enable a purchaſer to carry on buſineſs to a great extent, at a very moderate expence.

The articles of roup and conditions of ſale are to be ſeen in the hands of Thomas Adair writer to the ſignet, or John Sommerville writer, who will inform as to particulars; and any perſons who have claims on the ſaid Works, will pleaſe to lodge the ſame immediately with the ſaid John Sommerville,

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Lands of Grange in Fife.

TO be SOLD, the Lands and Eſtate of GRANGE, lying in the pariſh of Burntiſland, and ſheriffdom of Fife, amounting to upwards of 200 l. Sterling of yearly rent

The Houſe is well ſituated near to Burntiſland, a good market and poſt town, and commands a beautiful and extenſive view of the frith of Forth, and the adjacent country.—The office-houſes are convenient, and there is a good garden and pigeon-houſe upon the eſtate.

David Hunter, gardener at Grange, will ſhow the lands; and propoſals for a purchaſe may be made to David Erſkine clerk to the ſignet, who is poſſeſſed of the title-deeds, plan, and rental of the eſtate.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

LANDS IN STIRLINGSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, (A. Ramſay's) Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 6th day of December 1786, between the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The LANDS of ORCHARDHEAD, lying in the pariſh of Bothkennar, and county of Stirling; the rent, after converſion of victual, including a ſmall feu-duty, and deducting public burdens, is 253 l. 17 s. 11 d 2-12ths Sterl ng, holding of the Crown; and, being valued at 422 l. 19 s. 2 d. Scots in the ceſs-books, afford a freehold qualification.

The ſituation of the eſtate is eligible, and may be very profitable to the purchaſer, as it is within four miles of Falkirk, in the neighbourhood of Carron-ſhore and the Carron-works, having the Forth to the north and eaſt, and the Great Canal to the ſouth. It commands a delightful proſpect of the adjacent country, and of the ſhore and towns on the oppoſite coaſt.

The ſoil is allowed to be amongſt the beſt in the Carſe of Falkirk. The grounds alongſt the Forth are well fenced by a dyke, built at a conſiderable expence ſome years ſince; which, on trial, is found to anſwer the intention.

There is a manſion-houſe of thirteen rooms, b ſides kitchen, cloſets, and other conveniencies, office-houſes, garden, and an excellent orchard.

The lands are free of any thirlage, and the tenants pay the land-tax, over and above their rents. The largeſt farm on the eſtate, which was let in 1757, will riſe conſiderably in the rent, in a few years, when the leaſe expires.

A purchaſer may be immediately infeft by having the unexecuted precept in a Crown Charter aſſigned to him.

The houſe and grounds will be ſhown by Mungo Johnſton, gardener, at Orchardhead.

For further particulars apply to Mr Higgens at Newk, near Airth, or to Anthony Barclay writer to the ſignet, at Edinburgh, who will ſhow the title deeds and conditions of ſale; and to either of whom, ſuch as incline to purchaſe by private bargain before the day of ſale, may give in propoſals.

THAT there will be SET in tack, after Whitſunday next, for as many years as can be agreed on,

That well-frequented INN in Elgin,

ſome time poſſeſſed by the deceaſed Mrs George Simpſon, and now by her daughters, (given up by them on account of her death) conſiſting of a large commodious dwelling-houſe of twenty rooms, a convenient kitchen, brew-houſe, coach-houſe, and a complete ſet of ſtables, barn, and and hay-loft.

Any perſon intending to rent the ſubjects, by applying to Patrick Duff, junior, Town-clerk of Elgin, will be fully informed as to particulars reſpecting the ſubjects, as well as the rent.

Sale of Plewlands, &c.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday 22d November 1786, at ſix o'clock afternoon,

I. The Lands of PLEWLANDS, with the Teinds and Pertinents, lying in the pariſh of Dalmenie, and ſheriffdom of Linlithgow. Theſe lands conſiſt of upwards of 55 Scots acres, are moſtly incloſed with ſtone dykes, or ditches and hedges, and pay about 82 l. Sterling of free yearly rent.—They are pleaſantly ſituated upon the ſouth-weſt ſide of the Queenſferry, command an extenſive view of the Frith and adjacent country, and are out of leaſe They hold of a ſubject-ſuperior for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

Any perſon deſiring to view the lands, may apply to Mr Robert Pont 4th, at the weſt end of the town of Queenſferry, who will alſo inform as to the lots in which they are propoſed to be ſet up, in caſe they are not ſold in one lot

II. A FEU-DUTY of 11 l. 15 s. 6 d. 8-12ths Sterling, payable out of the lands of Kirktown of Bathgate, in the county of Linlithgow.

The title-deeds of theſe ſubjects may be ſeen in the hands of Mr David Erſkine, clerk to the ſignet.

SALE OF HUNDLESHOPE, &c.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th day of December next, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The LANDS and BARONY of HUNDLESHOPE, lying in the pariſh of Mannor, and ſhire of Tweeddale, within two miles of the town of Peebles, and twenty-two miles of Edinburgh.

The free rent of this eſtate is about 250 l. Sterling, and conſiſts of

I. The FARM of HUNDLESHOPE, which contains about 200 acres of arable ground, and 2000 of excellent ſheep paſture.

II. The LANDS of BELLANDRIDGE, containing about 200 Scots acres, all of which may be eaſily improved. This farm is very pleaſantly ſituated, ſtretching from Manor water to the river Tweed.

III. The LANDS of HALLYARDS, on which there is a convenient houſe, a good garden, and pigeon-houſe, and comprehending the mill-town, mill, and parks.

The whole are held of the Crown, and give a freehold-qualification in the county.—The proprietor has right to the teinds which are valued, and the ſtipend has been localled within theſe few years.

Apply to Stewart Moodie, writer in Edinburgh.

Sale of Mauchlinemains, &c.

TO be SOLD, within the Excange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 5th day of December 1786, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon, and expoſed in the two following parcels, or in lots, as formerly advertiſed.

I. The LANDS of MAUCHLINEMAINS, Eaſt, Weſt, and South Moſſgavils; Loch-hill, or Broadnewlands; Hollandbuſh, Knowhead, and Dykefield; the Haughmill, Mill-Lands and Multures; all lying in the pariſh of Mauchline, holding of the Crown, and paying of free yearly rent 296 l. 7 s. 2 d Sterling, computing the victual and caſualties at the ordinary converſion.

II. The Lands of Prieſthiells, Stottincleugh, Graſhills, Blackſide, Linburn, Lamontburn, Harwood, and Muirmill, all lying in the pariſh of Muirkirk, holding of the Crown, and paying of free yearly rent 162 l. 9 s. 7 d. Sterling.

The tenants of the lands in the pariſh of Muirkirk pay the whole public and pariſh burdens, and thoſe in the pariſh of Mauchline pay the whole of the ceſs.

The purchaſers of theſe lands will have right to the teinds, &c.

The lands in the firſt parcel have been incloſed, ſubdivided, and much improved, during the leaſes now current. Haughmill was let from favour at leſs than half rent. The tack of Muirmill, for which 160 l. Sterling of graſſum was paid, expires at Martinmas 1787.

PARCELS.

The lands in lot 1ſt will be ſold *in cumulo*, or in the following parcels:

1. Mauchlinemains.
2. Eaſt, Weſt, and South Moſſgavils; Loch-hill, or Broadnewlands.
3. Hollandbuſh, Knowhead, and Dykefield.
4. Haughmill, Mill-Lands, and Multures

The lands in the pariſh of Muirkirk, in lot 2d, will be ſold *in cumulo*, or in the following parcels:

1. Prieſthiells, Stottincleugh, and Graſhills.
2. Blackſide, Linburn, and Lamontburn.
3. Harwood.
4. Muirmill and Mill-Lands

The title-deeds, rentals, leaſes, plans of the lands, and conditions of ſale, to be ſeen in the hands of John Hunter writer to the ſignet; to whom, or to Mr Alexander Farquharſon, accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain, perſons inclining to purchaſe may apply.—Copies of the rentals and plans will alſo be ſeen in the hands of Mr George Douglas at Loudoun, who will ſhow the lands.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

Sale of Lands and Fiſhings

In the Counties of Nairn and Roſs.

TO be SOLD by public roup or auction, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 29th of November 1786, betwixt the hours of five and ſeven in the afternoon, the Two Remaining Lots or Parcels of the Eſtates which belonged to Sir Alexander Grant Baronet, viz.

LOT I. The LANDS and TENEMENTS lying in and about the town of Nairn, with one half of the ſalmon-fiſhings on the water of Nairn, held of ſubject-ſuperiors. Theſe Lands are all out of leaſe; and the rents have not been raiſed for many years paſt. They are well ſupplied with peats from the moſſes of Nairn, and accommodated with a conſiderable extent of out paſture-ground of the commonty of Nairn. The old Manſion-houſe, pigeon-houſe, and garden of Clava, with ſome tenements in the town of Nairn, are included in this parcel; and there are ſundry boats for white or ſea fiſhing, which pay teind-fiſh that are not rentalled. The free rent of this parcel, including the ſalmon-fiſhing, amounts to 232 l. 14 s. 10 d. 4-12ths Sterling.

LOT II. The LANDS lying in and about the towns of Fortroſe and Roſemarkie, ſituated along the bays of Fortroſe and Avock, holding feu partly of the Magiſtrates of Fortroſe, and partly of the heirs of Mr Roſs of Cromarty. The free rent of theſe Fortroſe Lands, computing 15 bolls 2 firlots bear at ten ſhillings per boll, amounts to 192 l. 7 s. 10 d. 4-12ths Sterling.

Theſe two lots or parcels, which are to be reduced or ſubdivided into ſmaller lots, are to be expoſed at reduced upſet prices. which ſhall be ſpecified in a future advertiſement.

Perſons intending to purchaſe may, in the mean time, apply, to Mr William Keith, accomptant in Edinburgh, who has powers to ſell by private bargain. Colquhoun Grant writer to the ſignet, will ſhow the title-deeds, or progreſs of writings, rentals, and articles of roup.

Exciſe-Office, Edinburgh, 30th Sept. 1786.

By Order of

The Hon. Commiſſioners of Exciſe.

ON FRIDAY next the 6th of October, there will be expoſed to public ſale by auction, in the Hall of the Exciſe Office in Edinburgh, at twelve o'clock noon,

Several Parcels of GREEN and BLACK TEA, FRENCH RED WINE, FOREIGN BRANDY, RUM, GENEVA, AQUAVITÆ, and HARD SOPE, lately condemned as forfeited by his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace.

The goods and conditions of ſale to be ſeen at the Exciſe Office, Edinburgh, on the day before and on the morning of the day of ſale.

An INN and FARM

In the Shire of INVERNESS to LET.

THERE is to be LET, for ſuch number of years as ſhall be agreed upon, and entered into at the term of Whitſunday next, the public INN of DALMAGERRY, lying at the diſtance of twelve miles from Inverneſs, and upon the well frequented highland road from the north country for Edinburgh, Glaſgow, and other places; as alſo a part of the Lands of DALMAGERRY, as the whole of the ſaid ſubjects are preſently occupied by William M'Gillivray.

Beſides the great advantage of the Inn being one of the ordinary ſtages upon the ſaid public road, an annual market is held at Dalmagerry in the month of July, where a conſiderable number of gentlemen and country people convene for ſeveral days; alſo during the ſhooting ſeaſon, ſeveral gentlemen lodge at the Inn, and tryſts are often held there for diſpoſing of cattle, and tranſacting other buſineſs, ſo that a proper innkeeper who attends to his duty may depend upon very great encouragement. The Inn and office-houſes may be rendered commodious at a ſmall expence. The tenant may be accommodated with a larger farm than is occupied by the preſent innkeeper, and the proprietor will give every other encouragement for the accommodation of the public and a proper tenant. Such as are properly qualified, and able for the undertaking, may lodge their propoſals with the proprietor at Moyhall, or Campbell M'Intoſh, writer in Inverneſs.

Brewing and Diſtillery Utenſils, &c.

TO be SOLD by public roup, at the Weigh-houſe at Dundee, upon Tueſday the 17th day of October next, for payment of his Majeſty's duties,

The Sides, Bottom, Shoulders, and Head of a STILL of 400 gallons; alſo the Sides, Bottom, Shoulders, and Head of a STILL of 100 gallons, and a Wort COPPER.

And, at Balmerino, in Fife, upon Thurſday the 19th day of October next, Two Coolers, One large Maſk Vat, Two Pumps, One Under Back, Two Butts, a pair of Rollers driven by a water mill and machinery, Gauntries, and ſmall articles.

The articles at Dundee will be ſeen by applying to John Smith of the Weigh-houſe there; and the articles at Balmerino will be ſhown at the places.

The articles and conditions of roup will be ſhown by applying to Mr Alexander Millar, Supervifor of Exciſe, at St Andrews.

JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS

In the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright,

AND OF HOUSES AND GARDENS

In and about the Town of Dumfries.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 19th day of December 1786, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The LANDS and others underwritten, which belonged to Thomas Buſby of Ardwall:

LOT I. The LANDS of ARDWALL and IRONFAST, and teinds thereof, lying in the pariſh of New Abbey, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright.

The proven free rent is - L. 166 4 9 1-12th

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of a ſubject-ſuperior, is L. 3657 4 7 10-12ths

Theſe lands are diſtant about nine miles from Dumfries by a good road; conſiſt of between 700 and 800 acres, and are partly arable and partly paſture.

The arable lands are divided into 23 incloſures, and are in general of a good ſoil, and well adapted for huſbandry of every kind. There is an excellent ſituation for building a houſe upon them, with plenty of good water at hand, and an agreeable proſpect of the river Nith, the Solway frith, and the oppoſite coaſt of Cumberland; and, near to this ſituation, there is a complete ſet of offices already built; and alſo a garden, orchard, and ſeveral thriving plantations, all well fenced with ſtone dykes, thorn and beech hedges. About an acre of ground is planted with fruit trees, moſt of which are likewiſe thriving; and there is a number of old trees ſcattered through the fields, which have a fine effect, and are of conſiderable value. Coal and and lime may be brought by water within leſs than a mile of the property, where there likewiſe an opportunity of exporting the produce of the farms is to the markets in the north of England, and elſewhere.

LOT II. That Houſe and Offices lying in the town of Dumfries, preſently poſſeſſed by Dr Babington.

The proven rent of this lot is - L. 14 0 0

And the proven value at twelve years purchaſe, 168 0 0

LOT III. That Houſe and Offices preſently poſſeſſed by Miſs Lawries, lying in the town of Dumfries.

The proven rent of this lot is, L. 7 0 0

And the proven value, at twelve years purchaſe, 84 0 0

LOT IV. That Garden and Meadow lying in the burgh of Dumfries, preſently poſſeſſed by George and William Manderſons, with the houſes built thereon, excepting thoſe contained in Lots II. and III.

The proven free rent of this lot is L. 60 18 6 2-12ths

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe of the gardens, and twelve years purchaſe of the houſes, the whole being held of the town of Dumfries, is 1280 7 3 8-12ths

LOT V. That Garden in the Weſt Barnraws, or Iriſh gate of Dumfries, poſſeſſed by Dr William Babington.

The proven free rent of this lot is, L. 4 4 0

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of the town of Dumfries, is - - - 92 8 0

This is a deſireable ſituation to build on, lying beautifully along the ſide of the river Nith, and incloſed with ſtone and brick walls, well clothed with fruit-trees.

LOT VI. Theſe five acres of Land in the Barkerland of Dumfries,

The yearly free rent whereof is L. 3 14 0

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of the town of Dumfries, is 81 8 0

LOT VII Two Houſes in the brick lodging on the eaſt ſide of the burgh of Dumfries, the one lately poſſeſſed by William Stewart, Eſq; of Caſtleſtewart; and the other preſently, by John Buſhby, Sheriff-clerk of Dumfries.

The proven free rent is - L. 36 11 6

And the proven value, at twelve years purchaſe, - - 438 18 0

The titles and articles of roup may be ſeen at the office of Mr Stevenſon, depute-clerk of Seſſion. And further information will be got, by applying to Patrick Macdowal writer in Dumfries, factor upon the ſubjects.

FOR KINGSTON, JAMAICA,

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